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E.O. 11652: GDS

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SUBJECT: BOMBINGS IN DAMASCUS

REF: DAMASCUS 2348

1. WE NATURALLY CONTINUE TO BE CONCERNED ABOUT THREAT TO US
OFFICIAL AND PRIVATE INTERESTS IN SYRIA POSED BY BOMBINGS,
BUT ARE GRATIFIED AT COS SHIHABI'S COOPERATIVE ATTITUDE IN
SHARING INFO ON HIS INVESTIGATIONS.

2. IF YOU THINK IT WOULD BE USEFUL, WE ARE PREPARED TO
CONSIDER INITIATING NON-COMMITTAL EXPLORATORY INQUIRIES IN
DAMASCUS WITH THE GOS. THE PURPOSE WOULD BE TO DETERMINE
WHAT USG ASSISTANCE THE GOS MIGHT BELIEVE HELPFUL IN THE
IMMEDIATE INVESTIGATION OR ON LONG-RANGE MEASURES TO COMBAT
THREAT OR ON BOTH. WE WOULD LIKE YOUR JUDGEMENT ON FORE-
GOING SUGGESTION AT THIS STAGE WITHOUT CONSULTATIONS WITH
GOS. MAW

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